RESOLUTION NO. 2010-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, ENDORSING DESIGNATION OF THE "SEDONA-RED ROCK NATIONAL SCENIC AREA" (NSA)

WHEREAS, the Sedona area is truly unique and deserves special attention to ensure the permanent protection and preservation of the natural, cultural and historic values of the adjoining Coconino National Forest lands, and

WHEREAS, the protection of this scenic beauty is essential to the quality of life of Sedona residents, and

WHEREAS, the preservation of environmental elements surrounding Sedona is critical to the economic vitality of the City, and

WHEREAS, a National Scenic Area designation will provide a new source of publicity to enhance the City's tourism-based economy, and

WHEREAS, Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick has introduced federal legislation in Congress in the form of H.R.4823, the **Sedona Red-Rock National Scenic Area Act of 2010**, to create the Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area, and

WHEREAS, H.R.4823 allows for potential future infrastructure needs of the City, county, school districts and fire districts, and does not impact private lands in the area, and

WHEREAS, under the provisions of H.R.4823, the management of the designated lands will continue under present U.S. Forest Service authority, with no additional layers of government, and will remain subject to current management plans and to future management planning processes, and

WHEREAS, H.R.4823 permanently eliminates trading of National Forest land in and around Sedona for private lands outside this area,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, THAT:

The City of Sedona, through its Mayor and Council, strongly endorses the designation of approximately 160,000 acres of lands in the Coconino National Forest in the greater Sedona area as the **Sedona–Red Rock National Scenic Area**, and urges Congresswoman Ann Kirkpatrick to aggressively pursue passage of this legislation. The City Council further requests that Senators John McCain and Jon Kyle introduce companion legislation in the U.S. Senate and aggressively pursue its passage.

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	Rob Adams, Mayor	
ATTEST:		
Randy Reed, City Clerk		
APPROVED AS TO FORM:		

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona, this 25^{th} day of May, 2010.